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Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A system to prevent a human being from operating a motor

vehicle if the human being has consumed a predetermined amount of alcohol comprising:

a steering wheel;

means attached and covering the steering wheel for sensing trans-dermal messages

from the skin of a human being including alcohol content and temperature;

an automobile ignition system that controls the operation of the an automobile

engine;

a galvanic sensor using trans-dermal inputs to measure alcohol, temperature and

sweat content from said human skin, said galvanic sensor including an input from said a steering

wheel cover and an output to said an automobile ignition system including a switching means; and

logic circuit means for activating said switching means at any time said galvanic

sensor senses alcohol in the operator of the vehicle causing the switch to open, shutting off the

electrical current in the ignition system to the engine.

2. (Original) A system as in claim 1, including:

at least one trans-dermal alcoholic sensing glove to be worn by the operator of the

vehicle.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of preventing a human being from operating a

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motor vehicle if the human being has consumed an amount of alcohol beyond a predetermined limit

comprising the steps of:

utilizing a galvanic epidermal sensor on the steering wheel of the vehicle for a.

sensing the alcohol content of the skin of an operator of the motor vehicle;

b. providing a galvanic sensor logic circuit that receives signals from the

galvanic sensor on said steering wheel concerning the alcohol content of a vehicle operator and

provides it to an ignition switch;

c. providing a temperature sensing means on said steering wheel; and

d. providing a logic circuit requiring temperature for a certain time period

connected to said ignition switching means, said temperature sensor and time delay circuit requiring

that over a period of time a certain temperature is required or the vehicle will be shut off

notwithstanding the lack of alcohol sensing in the galvanic sensor.